

French troops leave Zaire

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June 14 (AP). — President Valery Giscard d'Estaing announced today that the last French troops have left from the Zaire mining town of Kolwezi and on their way home. The president, speaking at a conference, seemed eager by his announcement to end the military operation by 600 French troops who retook Kolwezi from rebel tribesmen on May 18. The French soldiers are being replaced in the Province city by Zairean soldiers and troops from an African peace force flown in by U.S. transport. Giscard d'Estaing did not specify whether the French military team advising Zaire's army in the Kolwezi area with Zairean troops or the national peace force.

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K. government's fate in balance

June 14 (R). — Britain's government today faced a possible parliamentary vote which would force an early general election. An emergency cabinet meeting decided that a censure debate on the government's handling of the economy would be a vote of confidence. Minister James Callaghan said this action would be taken if 13 Liberal members of parliament would back his government under an inter-party pact.

The government appeared capable of winning by only four votes at best and the outcome was expected to be in doubt until the last minute.

The Labour government's five-year mandate does not expire until October, 1979 but Mr. Callaghan is widely expected to go to the polls this autumn.

His party's precarious position in parliament forced him to enter into an alliance with the Liberals last year.

Mr. Callaghan decided he would wind up tonight's debate in a last-minute effort to rally support. Official sources said if he lost he would ask Queen Elizabeth to dissolve parliament.

One of this was already agreed for Zaire, whose

position in Africa and mineral resources make it especially important to the

U.S. of the creditor nations, the U.S., France, and Britain, asked for more information before committing themselves to emergency

U.S. most urgent needs estimated at between \$70 and \$120 million.

Germany will provide billion under existing agreements to improve Zaire's trade system one of its most investment needs, and received amount of food

World Bank's International Development Agency will available \$14 million to from its \$85 million budget aid to Africa.

World News Roundup...

China, Japan to resume treaty talks

June 14 (R). — China today agreed to a Japanese suggestion resuming negotiations on a peace and friendship treaty. Chinese Foreign Ministry said Mr. Wang Hsiao-yun, Deputy Minister of the Chinese Foreign Ministry's Asian Affairs Department, the Japanese Embassy in Peking that China was prepared to hold talks early next month on the treaty, it said. Negotiations have been stalled since September, 1975, because of Chinese insistence that the treaty must contain a clause condemning the domination of an area by one power. The Soviet Union, the clause as directed against it, has warned Japan that, unless unspecified, retaliatory measures if it agrees to the hegemony measure.

Mondale to join Israeli celebrations

June 14 (R). — U.S. Vice President Walter Mondale will visit Israel from June 29 to July 3 to take part in Israel's anniversary celebrations. President Carter announced today that Mr. Mondale said his visit would be chiefly ceremonial in nature but the vice president would meet Israeli leaders on the Middle East situation. President Carter said statement that Mr. Mondale would convey his congratulations of the American people on the 30th anniversary of existence. His visit underscores the deep and enduring friendship between the people of the United States and the president said.

Two more earth tremors in Japan

June 14 (R). — Two more earth tremors jolted Japan as alarm grew over a massive pollution danger revealed by Japan's big earthquake. One tremor hit Sendai on the Pacific where the earlier quake killed 22 people and injured but caused no casualties. The second struck the northern of Hokkaido. The pollution threat comes from 2,200 giant tanks around the country, each holding 10,000 kilotonnes of them, previously thought tough enough to withstand a quake, burst open at Sendai on Monday and spewed out kilotonnes of oil.

Shutto's daughter freed from house arrest

June 14 (R). — Miss Benazir Bhutto, daughter of condemned Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, was freed today after three months house arrest. She was by the country's ruling military authorities on March 16, days before the Lahore High Court imposed a death sentence her father for ordering a political killing in 1974. The High Court for Sindh Province, where she lives, allowed her habeas corpus and said she was being held without lawful authority. The authorities feared at the time that Miss Bhutto, 25, would organise anti-government demonstrations to protest against her sentence. Miss Benazir, a former President of the Union, a student society at the British university, and mother, Begum Nusrat Bhutto, had led a campaign for Mr. Bhutto's release since his arrest in September last year.

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BUENOS AIRES, Argentina, June 14 (AP). — Holland's soccer men clicked into top gear today to crush Austria 5-1 and raced into the lead in group A of the Second Round of the World Cup. While West Germany, the defending champions, struggled to hold Italy to a 0-0 draw at River Plate Stadium in Buenos Aires, the Dutchmen were in unstoppable form at Cordoba. Austria, the surprise team of the First Round, crumpled before the Dutch scoring power. Johnny Rep scored two. Rob Rensenbrink, Ernie Brandts and Willy van der Kerkhof one each. Group B was getting under way later tonight.

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French troops of the United Nations peace-keeping forces (left) watch as Israeli tanks rumble past on their way out of Ras Al Bayada in southern Lebanon ending a 91-day occupation on Tuesday. (AP wirephoto)

Arab peace troops search for killers as Franjeh is buried

BEIRUT, June 14 (R). — Lebanese government leaders today attended the funeral of Tony Franjeh, son of former President Suleiman Franjeh, who was killed yesterday in rightist clashes at the northern mountain resort of Ihden.

At the same time, travellers reaching Beirut said Arab

peace-keeping troops had raided a village in the region in an apparent search for the killers of Mr. Franjeh and at least 44 other people in the attack.

The victims also included his wife and three-year-old daughter.

Prime Minister Selim Al

Egyptian prosecutors interrogate Heykal

CAIRO, June 14 (AP). — Mr. Mohammad Hassanien Heykal, the former editor of the authoritative Al Ahram newspaper was questioned at length by Egyptian prosecutors about articles he wrote recently in other newspaper criticising the policies of President Anwar Sadat.

"The atmosphere was cordial," Mr. Heykal told a reporter after being interrogated for 2 1/2 hours. "But I was ordered not to say anything."

He is one of five journalists chosen to leave the country while authorities investigate articles they wrote which threatened to expose the secret of the press union and could be prohibited from writing articles inside or outside Egypt.

Mr. Heykal was dismissed from Al Ahram in 1974 after criticising President Sadat's foreign policy. Since then he has been writing for newspapers in other Arab nations while residing in Cairo.

Parliament is examining the cases of 136 other persons who risk losing their political freedom under a variety of laws.

Cairo newspapers reported almost all the persons involved have already been convicted of criminal offenses and have received prison terms or are still in jail. They include some former cabinet ministers.

A brief statement released by Attorney General Anwar Habib said the questioning would continue tomorrow. Habib's office refused to explain how the new law against political opponents will be implemented.

WASHINGTON, June 14 (Agencies). — The White House has dismissed an offer by Cuban leader Fidel Castro to meet President Carter as Washington and Havana continue to stick to their versions of events that led up to last month's invasion of Zaire.

The offer to meet Mr. Carter was brought back to Washington from Havana yesterday by two Democratic congressmen along with some harsh words by Dr. Castro for National Security Adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski.

The two members of the House of Representatives International Affairs Committee, Stephen Solarz of New York and Anthony Beilenson of California, told reporters they had a nine hour meeting with Dr. Castro.

He had repeated denials of any Cuban role in the training or supplying of Katangese rebels who invaded Zaire's southern Shaba Province from Angola last month. Hundred of Zaireans and Europeans were killed in the invasion.

Dr. Castro also told the congressmen he was willing to discuss the matter with the president personally, although he doubted such a meeting was possible.

A senior White House official later confirmed the Cuban leader's pessimism when he commented, "I simply cannot imagine that."

Carter's hard line

President Carter stuck to his hard line on Cuba last night at a dinner for visiting Indian Prime Minister Morarji Desai when he called the prime minister "superb representative of the

non-aligned movement."

Then, in an unusually pointed diplomatic reference for a state dinner, he added: "I think he would agree he recognises the fact that Cuba is not indeed a non-aligned country... but he said he had no details on those instructions."

Mr. Solarz said Dr. Castro also asserted to the congressmen "there was a surprising shift" in Carter administration statements on the Cuban involvement.

He quoted Dr. Castro as saying that just before the Carter administration officials began criticising Cuban involvement in the invasion "he indicated... he received a message from a high official that he characterised as being very constructive."

Mr. Solarz quoted Dr. Castro as saying Cuban diplomats reported back from New York that U.S. officials appeared to be satisfied with Cuban assurances that they had not been involved in the invasion.

Having heard both sides, the two congressmen remained unconvinced as to who was telling the truth.

Mr. Solarz said the Castro version was "a compelling case".

Mr. Beilenson said that the evidence shown so far by the Carter administration was "not compelling and certainly not conclusive".

Other congressmen and some administration sources have complained the evidence of Cuban involvement supplied by the CIA was mostly second hand, and in some cases third hand.

Mr. Solarz quoted Dr. Castro as saying he heard rumours of the Katangan invasion plans and urged Angolan President

Waldheim: Lebanon recognised rightist control in south

UNITED NATIONS, June 14 (Agencies). — Maj. Sa'd Haddad, commander of rightist militia units in southern Lebanon, has been provisionally recognised by the Lebanese government as de facto commander of the Lebanese forces in his area. U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim said today. This was to facilitate the mission of the U.N. Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL), Dr. Waldheim said in his latest progress report on the U.N. peace-keeping force. Israeli troops yesterday completed their withdrawal from southern Lebanon, handing over control of much of the border area to Maj. Haddad's forces instead of UNIFIL.

Dr. Waldheim's report was issued hours after the Lebanese government denied telling Ghanaian Maj.-Gen. Emmanuel Erskine, UNIFIL Commander, that Maj. Haddad "represents the legitimate authority in the south." The government sent Dr. Waldheim a protest against Gen. Erskine's statement that it had said that.

The government today also served an official ultimatum on the rightist officers that they would be treated as renegades unless they promptly turned over their areas to U.N. troops and confined themselves to barracks.

This was an ad hoc arrangement for humanitarian and practical reasons, he said. The report did not say how many Palestinians were involved, or when they entered the area now controlled by the U.N. force.

Waldheim rebukes Dayan for accusation

UNITED NATIONS, June 14 (R). — Secretary General Kurt Waldheim today reproached Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan for implying that

Lebanese say otherwise. However, the Lebanese go

Latest from Dayan: Waldheim collaborates with PLO in Lebanon

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM, June 14 (R). — Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan has protested to the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) which he said allowed Palestinian guerrillas to enter areas evacuated by the

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Israeli army, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said last night.

Mr. Dayan's note was passed on through Israel's Ambassador to the U.N., Chaim Herzog, as Israeli forces completed their withdrawal from Lebanon.

Mr. Dayan said UNIFIL cooperation with the Palestine Liberation Organisation and failure to halt infiltration through UNIFIL lines contravened a personal undertaking from U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim last April.

Mr. Dayan pointed out that the Israeli army had today completed its evacuation of southern Lebanon in accordance with the Security Council resolutions, but protested at reliable and confirmed information according to which hundreds of PLO terrorists had already entered the evacuated area while UNIFIL units allowed them to bring up supplies.

Mr. Dayan said these facts were contrary to Dr. Waldheim's undertakings to Israel.

Begin retires home to work out urgent

solution for impending cabinet crisis

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM, June 14 (AP). — Prime Minister Menachem Begin decided today to cancel all other business and concentrate on uniting his divided cabinet over questions concerning the future of the occupied West Bank.

A spokesman said Mr. Begin would remain at his Jerusalem home to work on the problem for the rest of the week, probably postponing a formal cabinet meeting until next Sunday.

The spokesman said the brief break from office routine was unrelated to Mr. Begin's health. The prime minister was absent from his office for ten days recently suffering from an undisclosed illness. He has been hospitalised twice in the past year for heart trouble.

The United States has asked Israel if it would be ready to negotiate a final settlement for the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, at the end of a proposed five-year transi-

on period. It also wants to know how Israel proposed to conduct the negotiations.

In private contacts and formal meetings, Mr. Begin's government has been deliberating its response for more than a month. Veteran observers say both the fate of Egyptian-Israeli peace talks and the stability of Mr. Begin's own government may hinge on the response.

The cabinet emerged sharply divided in its last session on Monday, with three ministers submitting proposals. Mr. Begin is now trying to come up with formulae to satisfy the cabinet factions and the United States.

Reports of an impending cabinet crisis have been so persistent that Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan was forced to deny that he may resign if his proposal is rejected.

"I submitted no ultimatum in the proposal I put be-

fore the cabinet and I gave no hint about resigning," Mr. Dayan was quoted as telling the Maariv newspaper.

Mr. Begin's peace plan for the West Bank, proposed in December and rejected by Egyptian President Anwar Sadat, calls for an indefinite period of Palestinian autonomy failing short of full independence.

Washington believes the Begin plan might be acceptable but only as a transition to a more far-reaching solution.

Reliable sources say Mr. Dayan suggests negotiating parts of a settlement now while leaving more difficult questions for discussion in five years by Israel, Jordan and West Bank Palestinians.

Defence Minister Ezer Weizman also proposed an affirmative reply to the U.S. questions, but he differed with Mr. Dayan in suggesting that Egypt also have a voice in negotiations.

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Why is Moshe going home?

Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan -- a man never at a loss for words -- now complains to the United Nations Secretary General that U.N. peace-keeping troops have allowed hundreds of Palestinian guerrillas to enter areas that have just been evacuated by the Israeli occupation army in south Lebanon. This raises a very important question, which Mr. Dayan seems to be avoiding: If the whole point of the Israeli invasion and occupation of southern Lebanon was to drive the Palestinian resistance from the area, and now Israel is pulling out of the area with full knowledge that the Palestinians are moving right back in, then what has been the whole point of the exercise in invasion and occupation and destruction? This is a very strange case indeed.

If Mr. Dayan is so worried about hundreds of Palestinians setting up their bases once again in southern Lebanon, why is he taking away his 25,000 occupation soldiers and going home? Why has he decided to stop using his shiny new F-15 fighter-bombers to carry out massive air, ground and sea attacks against those awesome fleets of Lebanese fishing boats along the sunny south Lebanese coast? Why, indeed, has he taken his army of tanned young soldiers out of south Lebanon and turned control of the area over to that peculiar fighting machine of the Lebanese rightists under the command of the very mediagenic Major Haddad? But Major Haddad had to call in the Israelis to save his skin last year, so how does Mr. Dayan expect him to be able to pacify southern Lebanon any better today than he could do six months ago? This is a very strange case indeed. What is Mr. Dayan doing?

Why is Mr. Dayan sending letters of complaint to the secretary general of the United Nations? Why is Mr. Dayan leaving south Lebanon, three months after his boss Mr. Begin said the Israelis would cut off the arm of the P.L.O. with the P.L.O.'s arms clearly still intact and very much in action? Why does the major military figure in Israel of the past two decades oversee the Israeli pullout from south Lebanon with every stated Israeli military and political objective related to the invasion obviously unfulfilled?

Is it, perhaps, that Mr. Dayan is conceding the weakness of all his guns? The powerlessness of all his airplanes? The futility of his Zionist philosophy's instinct to try and catch a few hundred Palestinian resistance fighters with his 25,000 boy soldiers and battle-hardened sunglasses-clad generals?

Is Mr. Dayan trying to tell us that he has learned the lessons in southern Lebanon that the United States learned in Vietnam?

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

In his daily column "words" in Al Rai's JUMA'HAMMAD today criticised the decision of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA) to reduce its public services and to move part of its headquarters from Beirut to Vienna. Mr. Hammad charges by saying that, as was expected, UNRWA is planning to withdraw gradually from its mission and pledge by the United Nations to the Palestinian refugees. UNRWA has taken its decision in spite of the Jordanian government's expressed readiness to provide it freely with all necessary facilities in Amman, he says.

AL DUSTOUR commands the free dialogue which took place yesterday between His Majesty King Hussein and the teaching staff of the University of Jordan. It says this open intellectual exchange is a new indication of the increasingly flourishing democracy in Jordan.

The newspaper says the subjects on which the dialogue revolved, such as freedom coupled with responsibility, political establishments, stimulating the positive potential of youth and the development of education and culture -- all these come within the list of factors which are indispensable for building up the country's indigenous strength, in order, as the King has said, to "recover our usurped rights and face the challenges that threaten the Arab individual at present and in the future."

WHAT'S GOING ON

Exhibit

"Britain and the World of Islam" is the theme of an exhibition starting at the British Council. On display are pictures, photographs, posters, records and films from the World of Islam Festival which was held in Britain in 1976, plus over 400 British books on the Middle East. Open till Saturday 24 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. daily.

Exhibit Films

The films from the World of Islam Festival exhibition will be screened at the British Council tonight and tomorrow in the garden at 8:15 p.m.

Concert

A musical programme featuring the "Roots" will be given at the Haya Public Park (Haya Arts Centre) this afternoon at 4:30 p.m. Open invitation.

Russian Film

A film entitled "Aladdin and the Magic lamp" at the Soviet Cultural Centre this evening at 6:00 p.m.

RSS plans to house centre for technical information contained in patent documents

By Breda Finegan
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN. — Within about six months Jordan should have access to the very latest technological information as contained in published patent documents.

In a recent interview with the Jordan Times Director of the Department of Planning at the Royal Scientific Society (RSS) Dr. Abdullah Al Khatib explained the tremendous advantages this will have for development in Jordan.

For instance, Dr. Khatib said,

instead of scientists in Jordan working for six months on some technical problem that has already been solved elsewhere -- spending time and money painstakingly trying to discover what has already been discovered -- they would have access to the information in patent documents and could start where the patent holders left off as it were. This would mean a tremendous amount of time, effort and money saved.

Dr. Khatib said that eventually Jordan hopes to have access to the one million patent documents published yearly and registered with the World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) in the U.S.

In the meantime, though, with the help of WIPO, the RSS is going to build a system within

the existing technical information centre at the RSS for receiving and using technical information particular to Jordan's development needs at the moment.

The idea is to start off in a small way with specialised information and gradually expand the information facilities so that eventually Jordanian industries, research institutes and other concerned organisations can have the very latest available technical information on just about every field of science and technology.

Eventually, Dr. Khatib said, it may even be possible to set up a regional technical information centre in Jordan to serve the Arab World. But as yet we can't tell whether this will work out as other Arab countries are also interested in housing such a centre.

Last month a meeting was held in Cairo on the very subject of making technical information available to the Arab World.

The Arab World has up till now played an almost negligible role in patenting -- according to WIPO statistics for 1976, approximately 80 per cent of patent documents were published by Western countries, with Japan, Germany and France topping the bill. It is however understandable that countries primarily concerned with

development are going to seek existing information rather than make great strides in scientific and technological advancement.

The Cairo meet, the Regional Meeting for Arab Countries on Technological Information Contained in Patent Documents, which was organised by WIPO in cooperation with the Economic Commission for Western Asia (ECWA) and other U.N. and regional agencies, discussed how technical information centres in the Arab World can get access to the vast amount of technical information stored in patent documents.

More importantly, the question of getting appropriate information for development projects in these countries was also discussed.

"The conference," Dr. Khatib emphasised "was an introductory seminar into the whole subject of patents and what they mean."

"The setting up of this information centre (at the RSS) would not give us any legal status to accept patent applications or issue patent documents," Dr. Khatib added. There is an office at the Ministry of Industry and Commerce which has this authority, and it would continue to do that job. The centre at the RSS would merely be an information centre used mainly by research organisations.

Will this be the first such

centre in the Arab world? No. Egypt, also with the help of WIPO, set up a technical information centre ten years ago. "We will do the same," Dr. Khatib went on, "at the Cairo conference WIPO expressed willingness to help in organising the centre in Jordan. WIPO will help in training our personnel and in devising a system of storage and retrieval."

AMMAN, June 14 (JNA). — Director of physical education at the Ministry of Education Mohammad Abu Al Taiyeb left for Damascus today to hold talks with officials of the Syrian Ministry of Education aimed at setting up a work and recreational camp in Damascus for Jordanian students excelling in their constructive work at Al Hussein summer camps. Meanwhile, the ministry will set up 28 new summer camps and training centres in Jordan this year. Thirteen of these camps will be in various governorates, seven will be attached to military institutions and the remaining eight will be centres

Coming & Going

Swiss businessmen end visit

Adnan Badran returns from U.S. universities conference

AMMAN, June 14 (JNA). — A delegation of Swiss businessmen today left for home at the end of a four-day visit to Jordan. During the visit the delegation held talks with officials at the Ministry of Industry and Commerce and Jordanian businessmen on the possibility of setting up joint economic projects between Switzerland and Jordan.

AMMAN, June 14 (JNA). — President of Yarmouk University Adnan Badran returned recently from a visit to the United States during which he represented the university at a conference on modern academic methods. Held at the University of Wisconsin earlier this month, the conference was presented with 25 papers from new universities worldwide which were taking part in the conference. Among other recommendations the conference emphasised the necessity to keep an element of flexibility in the organisation of modern universities in order to allow them to adapt to the needs of development.

More summer camps to be set up in Jordan, Syria

AMMAN, June 14 (JNA). — For training in banking and hospital work. Nearly 3,000 students will participate in the activities of the camps and training centres which will begin operating early next month.

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M 1.7m. agreement with West Germany signals start of second phase of Aqaba solar energy research project

Alain Martiny
to the Jordan Times

The agreement, effective until Oct. 31, 1978, will provide 1.7 million Deutsch marks (DM) for a joint effort between the Royal Scientific Society (RSS) and the German solar research firm, Dornier System of Friedrichshafen.

Under the agreement DM 1.1 million will be allocated

to the RSS and DM 600 thousand to Dornier System for research. West Germany will supply the equipment and training.

Mr. Abdallah Jaradat, Director of the Mechanical Engineering Department at the RSS, told the Jordan Times the agreement represents the begin-

ning of the second phase of the Aqaba solar research project. The first stage was concluded on Dec. 7, 1977 when the construction of the Aqaba Research Station was completed and the solar heaters were connected to the computer. At the research station the computer has 350 measuring points and a measuring time of 30 seconds.

The main thrust of the second phase, Mr. Jaradat said, will be to test a new "heat-pipe" system, a development of Dornier, which could prove to be a breakthrough in desalinating heating and cooling. "This is the first time this system will be used Jordan," he said. Other countries have used it but in a different way.

Conventional desalination plants employ the principle of direct evaporation of the water through the heat of the sun. The key to the new model lies in the use of solar panels to trap the heat which is then relayed to the evaporation unit via the heatpipe.

The temperatures generated by this approach could come close to 110 degrees C.

Mr. Jaradat said the two teams are hopeful the project will prove successful in central heating and air conditioning.

It is hoped this system will produce sufficient energy to heat a house in the winter and air condition a house in the summer, as well as supply adequate drinking water. Virtues of the Aqaba station is that it has been able to heat water up to temperatures of 85 degrees C. and the RSS hopes to achieve 90-95 degrees C. eventually.

The Aqaba facility now supplies about 2.5 cubic metres of usable water daily.

If the system is successful, according to the agreement, Jordan will market the results of the research in Turkey, Iran and the Arab World. And in the future Dornier and Jordan will share the market in the rest of the world.

The research will be most interesting to the Gulf, Mr. Jaradat feels. Already a Kuwaiti research firm has indicated an interest and is cooperating in the development.

The system would be ideal for isolated areas where no fresh water is available, such as on an island or desert coasts. Mr. Jaradat said. The system could provide drinking water

for a few people and air conditioning or heat.

Mr. Jaradat said the agreement signed today was the result of an initiative on the part of Dr. Otfried Schneider of the German Society for Technica Cooperation (GTZ), which is entrusted with direct supervision of the project on the German Side, as the counterpart of the RSS. The agency seeks opportunities to do research with developing countries. Since Jordan had the solar research station already set up and a climate most similar to the Gulf where solar energy products are in great demand, the agency agreed to back the effort.

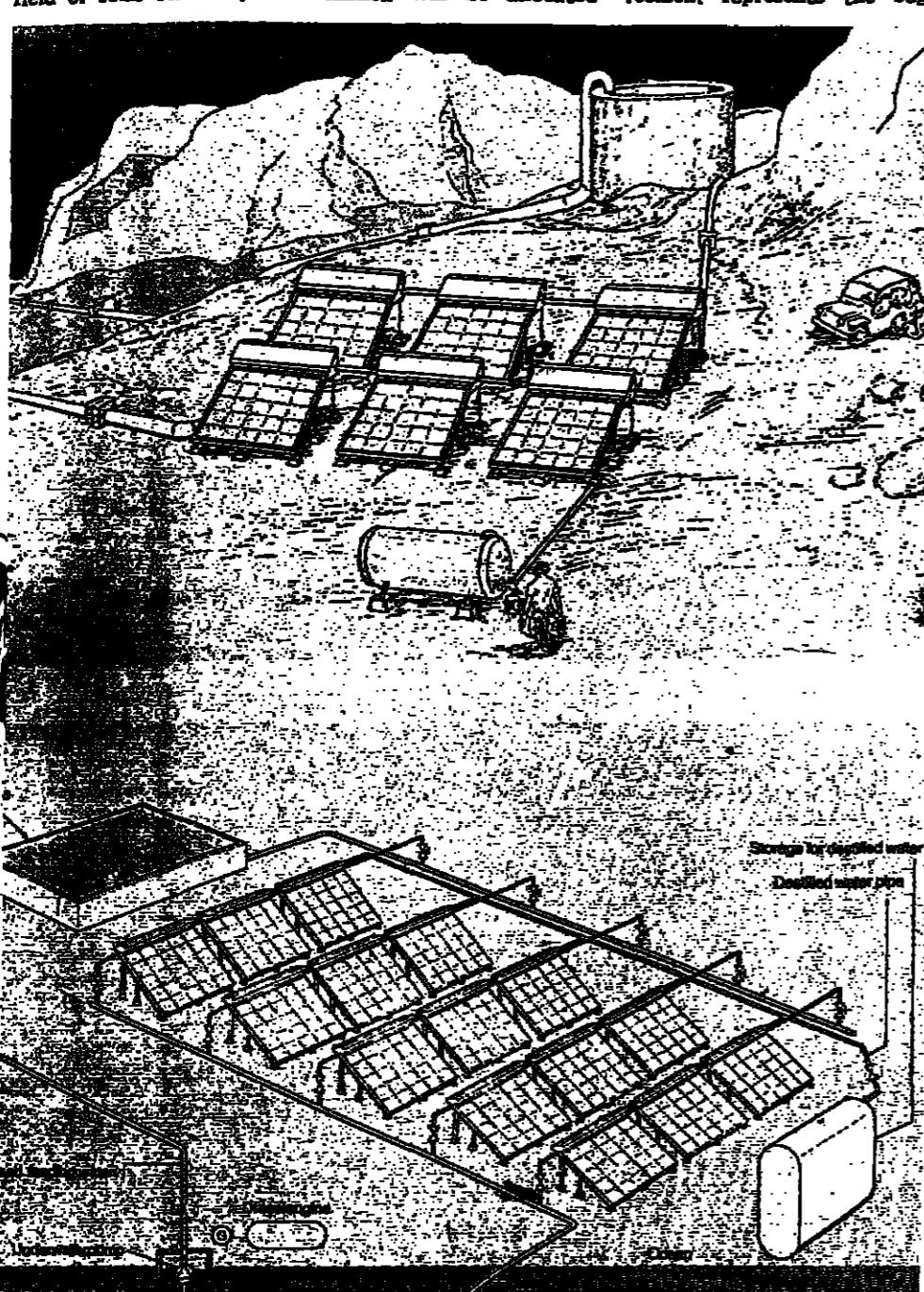
Another fact of the cooperation agreement, Mr. Jaradat mentioned, will be the exchange of personnel between Jordan and Germany. Every two months two RSS engineers

will visit the Dornier System research centre on Lake Constance and two Dornier System people will come to Jordan for technical assistance. Following each exchange, or every three months, a united

report will be made.

German engineers working on the project are optimistic. At the moment, they are reckoning with a cubic metre price for usable water of DM 20. But with design and pro-

duction modifications and the commencement of serial manufacture they anticipate a price drop down to DM 7 per cubic metre of desalinated water, which is considered quite remarkable.



Site outline of the Aqaba solar energy facility illustrates its operations. Seawater is first taken into a storage pool. From there, gravity brings it to the modules for desalination. The salt is then taken into the condensation collector, where it is "reduced" to drinkable water and used as needed. Seawater used as cooling water is returned to the sea. (INP photo)

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Ministry of Education announces the extension of a period for obtaining the building tender documents for the MOE-2 project until June 26, 1978.

One firm which are prequalified for construction of 12nd Education Project No. 534 are kindly requested to collect the tender documents for this project which is available during working hours at the Implementation Unit, Ministry of Education upon payment of set fees.

On behalf of the Minister of Education Dr. A. Arabit

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Housing in Jordan: 3

Less reliance on private sector, more government involvement necessary to meet increased demand for low-cost housing

Following is the last in a three part series on housing in Jordan. In today's article we discuss the financing of housing projects. The previous two articles dealt with the housing boom and social factors affecting planning.

By Ian Kellas
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — Who is going to provide the money to build the houses in Jordan? Will the government have to step in, in a bigger way? Or can the job be left largely to the private sector -- as it has been in the past?

Three or four years ago it seemed the cooperative movement might play a substantial part in helping to house the population of Amman. By pooling resources co-

operatives can build cheaply.

In the mid-1970's the number of housing cooperatives leapt upwards. There are now over 50 housing societies in existence with a total membership of 3,481 at the last count. The societies have built 64 apartment blocks and 318 free-standing villas. But it looks as though the rate of growth has now almost crawled to a halt.

Mr. Mohammad Shweiki, head of the non-agricultural department at the Jordan Cooperative Organisation, feels that societies tend to be successful only if their members have quite high incomes.

Doctors, dentists and workers at the Royal Scientific Society, for instance, are running successful housing cooperatives. But others -- often formed of rather low-paid government employees -- are doing less well. And some have recently gone into liquidation as funds run short.

A few big corporations are stepping in to help provide housing for their own staff. Alia for instance is currently building a 370-house residential estate at Marj Al Hamam, near the road to Jerusalem.

The one obvious result of this sort of organisation of housing is that people from the same jobs will tend to live together. What would it be like, one

wonders, to live in a small town inhabited almost entirely by teachers, (not an unlikely prospect in Jordan) or in an estate where all one's neighbours were dentists? "I personally do not like this trend," Hamdallah Nabulsi, Director General of the Housing Corporation told the Jordan Times.

One of the reasons that the cooperative movement has slowed down, according to Mr. Shweiki, is that the government has clearly decided to rely less on cooperatives and more on the Housing Corporation for the provision of low-cost accommodation. In 1976, the prime minister withdrew his earlier offer to provide land free to any group of government employees who formed themselves into a cooperative, Mr. Shweiki said.

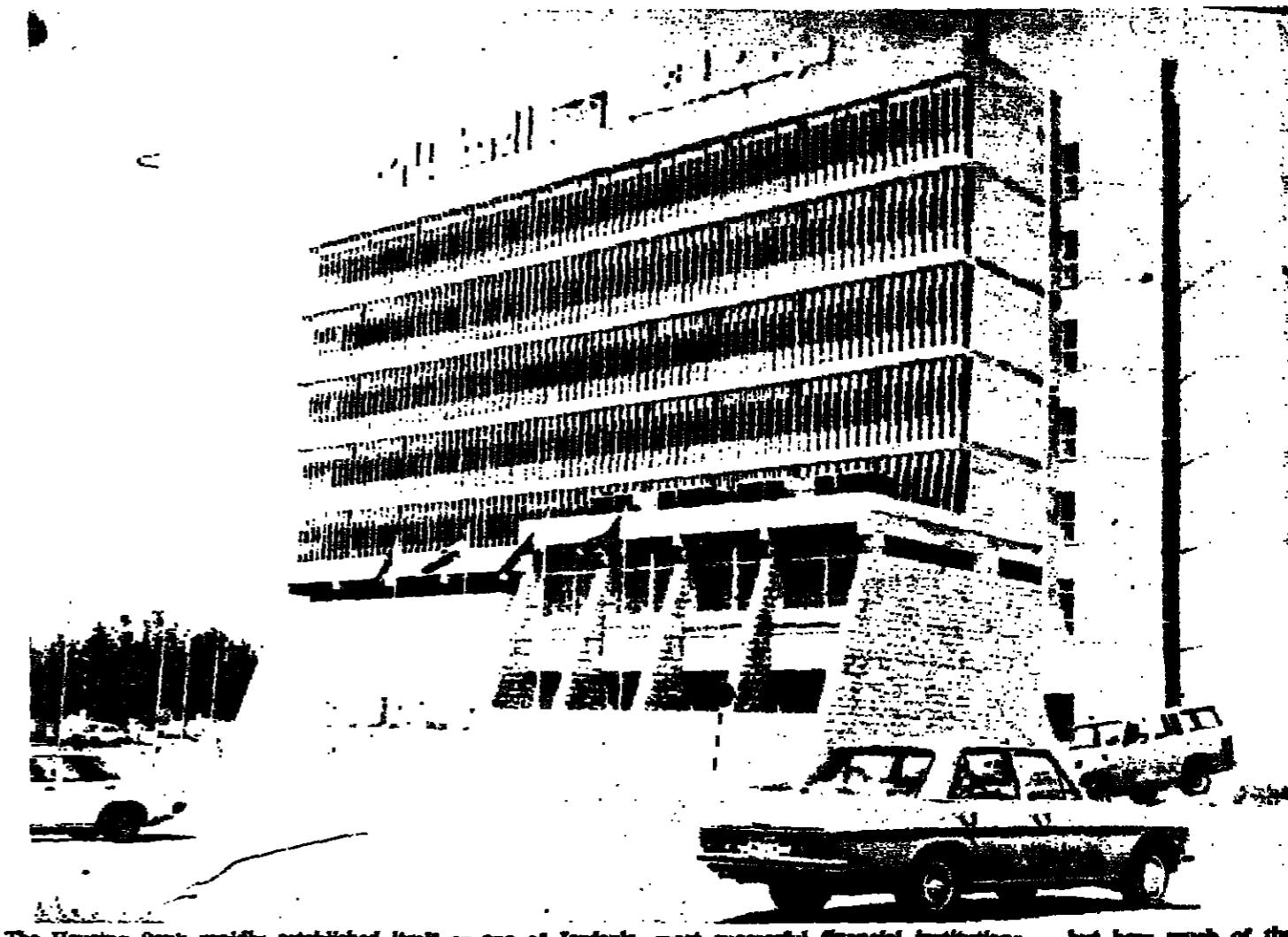
Set up in 1965, the Housing Corporation has concentrated on supervising and financing big housing projects for low and middle income people.

The apartments that it builds range in size from 45 to 120 square metres.

The corporation offers

five per cent loans over a period of twenty years to allow people to buy their own houses and priority is given to government employees and large families. Costs of course vary, but a monthly payment of JD 30 for a fairly big house would not be abnormal.

According to the five year plan the corporation has the task of building 7,700 units of housing between 1976 and 1980 and this is meant to cost JD 25 million. During the previous three year plan, the corporation achieved 64 per cent



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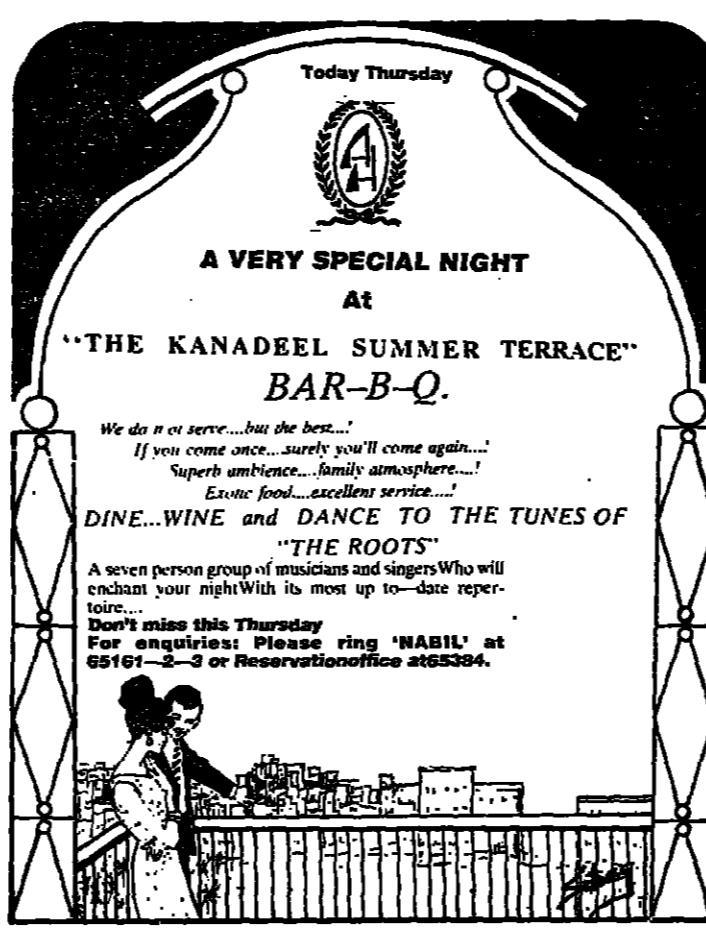
The latest date for submission of proposals to the Telecommunications Corporation Headquarters in Amman is: 14:00 hours, Thursday, September 14th, 1978.

The tender documents consist of one volume.

All bidders will be required to post a bid bond in the amount of JD 100,000 issued from a Jordanian bank, concurrent with the proposal.

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GENERAL TENDENCIES: One of your best times in a long while to establish meaningful relations with those you come in daily contact with. A good time for social and general prosperity as well as romantic interests.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Showing loved one true affection and thoughtfulness brings a wonderful understanding now. Get into civic work at which you are most adept now.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) You can accomplish much that requires neatness and precision. Talk problems over with allies and clear them up.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Participate in activities that interest you and accomplish a good deal. Make future appointments also. Have a greater understanding of loved one's needs.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Raise your level of consciousness and improve conditions at home appreciably. Happiness can help you grow, be more successful.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Good time to talk over with partners your ideas for expansion which are practical and good. Study reports and statements well and eliminate errors. A happy evening is possible.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Make minor repairs to abode that add to beauty, comfort and value. Consider the cost first. Handle affairs in a businesslike way.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) You gain goals easily today which can make for a satisfying day. Show affection for others and you get good results. Avoid one who is jealous.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) You can quietly and confidentially gain the information you need from experts. Use that plan you have to make your love life more ideal.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Use a direct approach with those who like and admire you and gain their favors. Make contacts with those who could do the most for you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Participate in community activities that could show others your abilities. Improve vocational work via right methods.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Study the details well of a trip you are planning. A new project can be started successfully now. Avoid one who could be detrimental to your progress.

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FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

LONDON, (R) — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies against the dollar at the close of interbank trading on the London foreign exchange market last night. Tourist rates will differ from those quoted below.

One sterling	1.8337/42	U.S. dollars
One dollar	2.0850/60	West German marks
	2.2328/43	Dutch guilders
	1.8870/80	Swiss francs
	32.63/66	Belgian francs
	4.5855/75	French francs
	858.75/859.25	Italian lire
	214.80/215.10	Japanese yen
	4.6230/30	Swedish crowns
	5.3960/70	Norwegian crowns
	5.6455/70	Danish crowns

London Market Report

Prices Wednesday declined after the larger than expected U.K. trade deficit, dealers said.

Shares were down a penny or two after being narrowly mixed and at 15:00 the FT. index was down 1.8 at 472.8.

Government bonds were marked down by up to 3/8 point after the trade data. Longer maturities had earlier been 3/8 higher.

Gold shares held steady at the lower levels, while U.S., Canadian and Australian issues inclined easier.

Price of gold closed in London Wednesday at \$183.70/oz.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL ROUNDUP

Major league baseball results and standing after Tuesday's games:

AMERICAN LEAGUE:

	W	L	PCT.	GB
Boston	41	19	.683	—
New York	34	24	.586	6
Baltimore	34	25	.576	6
Milwaukee	32	26	.552	8
Detroit	31	26	.544	8
Cleveland	26	30	.464	13
Toronto	19	38	.333	20
WEST:				
Oakland	32	28	.533	—
Texas	31	27	.526	1
Kansas City	29	27	.513	1
California	30	29	.508	3
Chicago	27	30	.474	3
Minnesota	23	35	.397	8
Seattle	19	43	.306	14

Tuesday's games:

Minnesota 2-7, Toronto 0-2

Baltimore 3, Seattle 2

Boston 5, California 0

Milwaukee 7, Detroit 2

New York 5, Oakland 3

Chicago 10, Cleveland 9

Kansas City 5, Texas 0

NATIONAL LEAGUE:

EAST:

	W	L	PCT.	GB
Chicago	33	23	.583	—
Philadelphia	30	24	.556	2
Montreal	31	28	.525	31
New York	28	33	.459	7
Pittsburgh	25	31	.446	8
St. Louis	23	39	.371	13
WEST:				
San Francisco	36	21	.632	—
Cincinnati	36	25	.590	2
Los Angeles	32	27	.524	5
Houston	26	30	.454	9
San Diego	25	33	.431	11
Atlanta	23	34	.404	13

Tuesday's games:

Atlanta 12, St. Louis 1

Cincinnati 1, Chicago 0

Houston 2, Pittsburgh 1

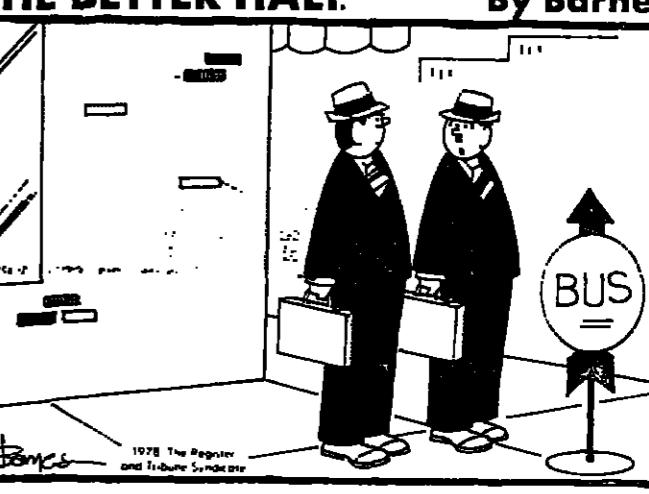
New York 3, San Diego 2

Los Angeles 5, Philadelphia 3

San Francisco 9, Montreal 5

THE BETTER HALF

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Both vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH	EAST
♦ A J 9	♦ A J 7 6
♦ Q 10 9 8	♦ Q 9 8
♦ K 6 3	♦ J 10 8 4
♦ 9 5	♦ A K 7 8 3
WEST	EAST
♦ 7 3 2	♦ 10 6
♦ Q 10 5 4	♦ 9 8
♦ 9	♦ J 10 8 4
♦ A K J 8 3	♦ Q 10 7 4 2
SOUTH	WEST
♦ K Q 8 5 4	♦ K 3
♦ K 3	♦ A Q 7 5 2
♦ A Q 7 5 2	♦ 6

The bidding:

South West North East

1 ♠ Pass 2 ♠ Pass

3 ♠ Pass 3 ♠ Pass

4 ♠ Pass 5 ♠ Pass

6 ♠ Pass Pass

Opening lead: King of ♠.

South bid aggressively to

reach a good six spade contract.

Fortunately, he had

the playing skill to back up

his boldness in the auction.

Despite the fact that, in

terms of point count, South

had only a smidgen more

than a minimum opening bid,

he felt that his distribution

and key card in his partner's

suit merited a "high re-

verse" rebid of three dia-

monds. When South learned

that his partner had spade

support and second-round

diamond control, he barged

into slam on the strength of

his singleton club.

West led the king of clubs

and continued with the ace.

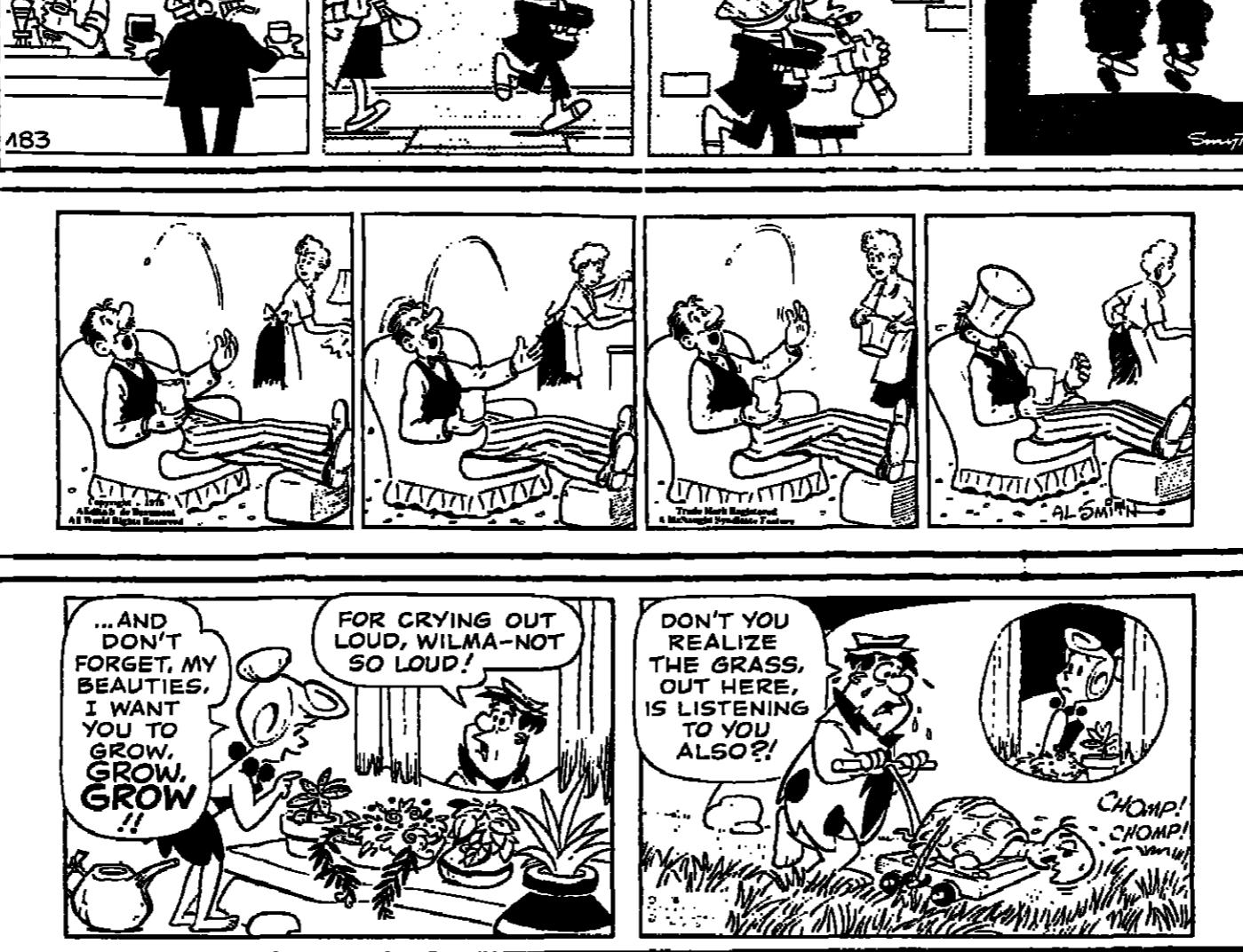
Declarer ruffed and all seem-

ed to be plain sailing. But de-

clarer realized that a bad

break in diamonds could en-

danger his contract, so he planned his play to allow for the possibility of a 4-1 break. Declarer drew trumps in three rounds and then cashed the ace and queen of diamonds. Had both defenders followed to these two tricks, declarer would have claimed his slam. But when West discarded a club on the second diamond, declarer's foresight in leaving the king of diamonds in dummy was about to bear fruit. It was now essential for declarer to establish dummy's hearts to make his contract. With nothing to guide him, the percentage play is to cash the king and ace and then ruff a heart. This would succeed whenever either defender held a doubleton queen or the suit divided 3-3. But there were clues to suggest that hearts were not breaking 3-3. West had shown up with a singleton diamond and three trumps. If he held six clubs to the ace-king, he might have overcalled. It seemed more likely that he had four hearts and five clubs than three and six. So declarer cashed the king of hearts and boldly finessed the jack. When East followed to this trick with a low card, the slam was home. Declarer cashed the ace of hearts and ruffed a heart to set up a long card, and the carefully preserved king of diamonds served as the entry to the fulfilling trick.



2 Englishmen flogged publicly in Saudi Arabia; U.K. furious

LONDON, June 14 (AP). — Angry British legislators urged the government today to consider withdrawing its ambassador in Saudi Arabia after two Englishmen were publicly flogged there for moonshining in the desert kingdom and breaking its Moslem laws forbidding alcohol.

"This is an appalling and outrageous piece of barbarism," declared Labourite John Lee, who introduced a motion urging Foreign Secretary David Owen to order the British envoy, John Wilson, home from Riyadh in protest.

"I shall ask the foreign secretary to make the most forceful and vehement representations to the Saudi Arabian authorities and demand a full explanation for this grotesque punishment."

Another labour member of Parliament, Martin Flannery, snorted: "this is a savage and

Zambia accuses S. Africa of preparing for attack

LUSAKA, June 14 (R). — Zambia has accused South Africa of building up troops and aircraft apparently in readiness for an attack on this country, government sources said here.

The sources said Foreign Minister Siteke Mwale summoned five Western envoys last night to make the accusation.

Dr. Mwale told the Western heads of missions that Zambia had received first-hand information of the massing of troops last week in the sensitive Caprivi Strip area of South African-ruled Namibia (South West Africa), along the Zambian border.

He said the build-up of troops and aircraft gave every sign of being preparation for an attack, the sources added.

"The situation is more critical and dangerous than at any time before. It is escalating the threat to international peace and security," the minister is reported to have said.

The five Western envoys represent the United States, Britain, France, West Germany and Canada, the countries that have been seeking an internationally acceptable independence settlement for Namibia.

The government sources said Dr. Mwale told the diplomats the South African build-up was in the Katimamulilo area. Zambia was prepared to defend itself and to seek help from any friendly country, he said, adding: "for the first time, Africa is becoming visibly a battlefield for international forces."

In Pretoria, a South African Defence Spokesman said his government had stated several times that South Africa had no intentions of attacking any of its neighbours.

"We have soldiers on our borders to guard our borders and to prevent terrorism against

barbaric practice ... It's time Saudi Arabia's laws were brought into harmony with those of the civilized world."

The furor over the floggings was heightened by a Foreign Office report that seven other British nationals in Saudi Arabia face the same punishment for making alcohol.

Alexander Howard, a British diplomat in Saudi Arabia, said in a telephone interview on a radio programme broadcast here that the two Englishmen — Nigel Maidment, 27 and Brian Cooper, 35 — have been released from jail and

are expected to fly back to London within the next 24 hours.

The Foreign Office said the pair, who both work for a British firm building an airport extension in Ha'il, a northern caravan crossroads, were arrested in December for manufacturing and selling alcohol.

A spokesman said they chose the flogging and a six-month jail term rather than an extended prison stretch.

The flogging took place in the town square of Ha'il May 15, but news of the punishment was not disclosed by the Foreign Office until Wednesday.

It is not likely, however, that the British government will make too much of the flogging. Britain has built up good relations and lucrative trade deals with the oil-rich kingdom and is not likely to jeopardize them.

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